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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPTIMIZING A JPEG IMAGE
USING REGIONALLY VARIABLE COMPRESSION LEVELS
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In compliance with the Applicant's duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, et seq., Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the information contained in the following for consideration during the examination of the above-referenced patent application:

U.S. Patent Documents

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>
5,724,453	Mar 3, 1998	Ratnakar et al.
5, 426, 512	June 20, 1995	Watson
5,883,979	March 16, 1999	Beretta et al.

Non-Patent Documents

1. Ratnakar, Viresh and Livmy, Miron, RD-OPT "An efficient Algorithm For Optimizing DCT Quantization Tables", pp. 1-11

It is respectfully submitted that the Applicant's invention defines patentable subject matter over the teachings of the above references, alone or in any combination thereof. Accordingly, favourable action on this application is respectfully requested.

A completed form PTO/SB/08A, delineating the above references, is enclosed, as well as a copy of each of the references. This Disclosure Statement, filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97, should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, or that no other material information, as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a), exists.

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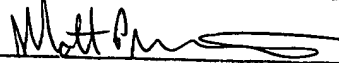
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